

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Monday, April 19, 2021 – 0730 MDT  
National Preparedness Level 2**

**National Fire Activity (April 16, 2021 – April 18, 2021):**

Initial attack activity:	Light (235 fires)
New large incidents:	1
Large fires contained:	2
Uncontained large fires:***	3
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	0
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

Nationally, there is 1 fire being managed under a strategy other than full suppression.

\*\*\*Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.

[Link](#) to Geographic Area daily reports.

[Link](#) to Understanding the IMSR.

**This report will be posted Monday – Friday at 0730 Mountain time unless significant activity occurs.**

IMT 2 (NW Team 7) has been assigned in support of Oregon state COVID-19 response operations.

<b>Active Incident Resource Summary</b>							
<b>GACC</b>	<b>Incidents</b>	<b>Cumulative Acres</b>	<b>Crews</b>	<b>Engines</b>	<b>Helicopters</b>	<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>Change in Personnel</b>
AICC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NWCC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ONCC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OSCC	0	0	0	0	0	0	-8
NRCC	2	19,855	0	2	0	28	0
GBCC	0	0	0	0	0	0	-65
SWCC	5	7,825	6	6	2	219	-207
RMCC	1	5,461	0	0	0	4	-55
EACC	0	0	0	0	0	0	-44
SACC	12	4,657	1	25	1	86	-74
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>37,799</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>-453</b>

**Southwest Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 4  
 New large incidents: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**G-22**, Fort Apache Agency, BIA. Eighteen miles southwest of Heber, AZ. Timber and brush. No new information.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
G-22	AZ-FTA	2,026	---	70	Ctn	5/4	78	---	1	3	1	0	1.6M	BIA
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
South Rim 4	TX-BBP	1341	---	80	Comp	4/23	55	-63	2	2	1	0	1.1M	NPS

BBP – Big Bend National Park, NPS

**Southern Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 65  
 New large incidents: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Tombstone II**, Oklahoma DOF. Fifty-four miles southeast of McAlester, OK. Hardwood litter and timber. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Tombstone II	OK-OKS	324	---	60	Ctn	UNK	11	---	0	5	0	0	9K	ST
* Hog Slough	FL-FLS	384	---	100	Ctn	---	12	---	0	1	1	0	10K	ST

FLS – Florida Forest Service

**Northern Rockies Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 22  
 New large incidents: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Greenhouse**, Blackfeet Agency, BIA. Two miles east of Browning, MT. Grass. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Greenhouse	MT-BFA	14,006	---	90	Ctn	UNK	27	---	0	2	0	3	90K	BIA
Horse Pasture	ND-DPF	5,000	0	100	Ctn	---	1	0	0	0	0	0	1.2M	FS

DPF – Dakota Prairie National Grasslands, USFS

**Fires and Acres (by Protection) (April 16, 2021 – April 18, 2021):**

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	6	0	6
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	13	0	13
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	45	1	46
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	27	2	29
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	3	0	0	16	6	25
	ACRES	0	60	0	0	13	1	74
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	16	6	22
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	5	10	15
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	10	0	10
Southwest Area	FIRES	1	0	0	0	1	2	4
	ACRES	22	0	0	0	23	18	63
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES	12	0	0	0	54	0	66
	ACRES	7	0	0	0	125	0	132
Southern Area	FIRES	1	0	0	1	59	4	65
	ACRES	0	0	0	1	645	46	692
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>14</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>235</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>29</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>862</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>1,029</b>

**Fires and Acres Year-to-Date (by Protection):**

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	1	0	0	1	0	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northwest Area	FIRES	28	10	1	0	172	10	221
	ACRES	153	84	0	0	903	249	1,391
Northern California Area	FIRES	2	0	0	0	515	48	565
	ACRES	2	0	0	0	1,376	170	1,548
Southern California Area	FIRES	5	28	1	3	689	85	811
	ACRES	5	202	1	6	1,200	1,290	2,705
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	360	7	1	0	237	54	659
	ACRES	19,087	51	22	0	7,862	13,725	40,747
Great Basin Area	FIRES	9	71	1	3	126	11	221
	ACRES	1,801	6,870	0	4	5,141	93	13,910
Southwest Area	FIRES	139	39	4	4	137	93	416
	ACRES	7,525	271	0	955	5,938	1,907	16,596
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	40	9	0	3	104	16	172
	ACRES	1,787	35	1,245	305	67,868	2,723	73,964
Eastern Area	FIRES	198	0	9	8	3,116	212	3,543
	ACRES	6,412	0	13,193	532	17,098	8,785	46,020
Southern Area	FIRES	354	0	42	20	7,814	250	8,480
	ACRES	44,907	0	8,879	6,296	157,698	15,647	233,428
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>1,135</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>12,911</b>	<b>779</b>	<b>15,090</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>81,680</b>	<b>7,514</b>	<b>23,340</b>	<b>8,098</b>	<b>265,087</b>	<b>44,592</b>	<b>430,312</b>

<b>Ten Year Average Fires (2011 – 2020 as of today)</b>	<b>13,965</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres (2011 – 2020 as of today)</b>	<b>682,242</b>

\*\*\*Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments.

\*\*\*Additional wildfire information is available through the Geographic Areas at <https://gacc.nifc.gov/>

**Predictive Services Discussion:** An upper low will drop south into the Intermountain West today with a cold front moving south through the region while also pushing south and east down the Plains and into the Great Lakes. Elevated to critical fire weather conditions are expected ahead of the front with the strongest winds overlapping with the lowest humidity and driest fuels in the Great Basin, especially Utah, and the Four Corners. Dry and breezy conditions are also likely in portions of the southern High Plains and southern California. Snow will shift from the Northern Rockies into the central Rockies and central High Plains with rain and snow extending eastward along and behind the front across the Plains into the Midwest. Well below average temperatures are expected to follow the cold front in Rockies and Plains.



## Attempting A Frontal Assault On A Fire

*Operational Engagement Category*

Attempting a frontal assault on a fire is recognized as [Watchout Situation #10](#) and is a potentially dangerous tactic.

If your tactics include a frontal assault, the following checklist must be adequately addressed before engaging the fire:

- Has the fire been scouted and sized up? Who will scout and size up a fire and what are they looking for?
- Is your position defensible? List what makes a firefighter's position defensible. (Anchor points, safety zones, escape routes, etc.)
- Are escape routes and safety zones adequate? Review what constitutes an adequate safety zone and escape route.
- Do you have an anchor point? How would you establish an anchor point for a frontal assault on a fire?
- Do you have adequate resources to complete the assault? Discuss things you need to consider; for example, if the frontal assault fails, do you have backup?
- Are you informed on strategy, tactics, and hazards? Consider what could happen if someone has a different approach than you; i.e., the IC has a burnout operation planned while you are attempting frontal assault.
- Is the terrain favorable to holding the fire? Discuss ways the terrain will influence where you will make a stand.
- Are you relying on aircraft for support operation? Any operation, especially frontal assault, should not need air resources to be safe.

In order to reduce the risks, reassess your tactics, post lookouts, identify situations in which firefighters may be enticed to attempt frontal assault on a fire. Review why this may or may not be a good idea.

Resources:

[Incident Response Pocket Guide, PMS 461](#)

[Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations \(Red Book\)](#)

[Wildland Fire Incident Management Field Guide, PMS 210](#)

[18 Watch Out Situations, PMS 118](#)

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